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### [MONEY and FORBES Praise Morris for Return on Investment](#)

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MORRIS, Minnesota (July 14, 2016)—With the school year soon approaching the University of Minnesota, Morris is earning accolades for the return on investment it offers students and their families. In recent rankings by *MONEY* and *FORBES* Morris stands outs for the success of its graduates.

Morris is one of the [10 most-improved colleges of 2016](#), according to *MONEY*, a TIME, Inc. publication. And while the college's jump from #566 in 2015 to #232 in [this year's ranking](#) is, in part, related to a change in [methodology](#), editors point out that Morris's graduation-rate increase from 63.4 to 66.8 percent is noteworthy.

In the *MONEY* rankings the campus earned a job meaning score of 65 percent based on alumni responses to PayScale.com's survey question of "Does your work make the world a better place?" This score, new for 2016, speaks to Morris students' success in securing meaningful work after graduation. Morris's overall score is based equally on quality of education, affordability, and outcomes.

Morris also was included on the [ninth annual FORBES ranking of the best colleges and universities in the country](#). According to staff writer Caroline Howard, "these outstanding institutions" warrant a "resounding yes" in answer to the question of "whether higher education is worth it." The list, which includes 660 institutions, differs from other college rankings in that it measures "'output' over input" [based on the following metrics](#): post-graduate success (32.5 percent), student debt (25 percent), student satisfaction (25 percent), graduation rate (7.5 percent), and academic success (10 percent). Morris was ranked at 415 overall.

Included in the *FORBES* scoring is the difference between a college's actual versus predicted graduation rate. This particular metric—according to the Midwestern Higher Education Compact in [2013](#), 2014, and [2015](#)—distinguishes [Morris as the most effective of Minnesota's four-year colleges](#).

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